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1. VERY GRATIFIED TO KNOW OF SUCCESS YOUR EFFORTS TO INTEREST ASSOCIATION BELGO-AMERICAINE IN ARRANGING FITTING OBSERVANCE OF BICENTENNIAL IN BELGIUM. THIS CORRELATES WELL WITH GUIDANCE ACCOMPANYING FORMAL BICENTENNIAL INVITATION LAST SUMMER. WILL BE INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT NATURE OF PROPOSED AMERICAN FESTIVAL SINCE THERE MAY BE WAYS IN WHICH NEWLY ESTABLISHED AMERICAN REVOLUTION BICENTENNIAL ADMINISTRATION AND DEPARTMENT CAN BE HELPFUL.

2. PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA IS PLANNING EUROPEAN TOUR FOR SUMMER 1976. DETAILS NOT YET AVAILABLE HERE. SUGGEST YOUR SPONSORING GROUP INITIATE CORRESPONDENCE WITH MR. BORIS SOKOLOFF, MANAGER, PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA,
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230 SOUTH FIFTEENTH STREET, PHILADELPHIA, PENNSYLVANIA

19102. HIGHLY UNLIKELY NEW YORK CITY BALLET COULD VISIT
EUROPE UNLESS HEAVILY SUBSIDIZED.

3. DEPARTMENT (CU/CP) JUST NOW BEGINNING TO HEAR ABOUT
1976 PLANS OF US PERFORMING GROUPS FOR PRIVATELY SPONSORED
TOURS ABROAD. PRESENT INFORMATION ABOUT FORTHCOMING TRAVEL
PLANS WILL SOON BE CIRCULATED TO FIELD BUT PERTAINS MOSTLY
1975. DEPARTMENT WILL KEEP BELGIAN INTEREST IN MIND AS
ADDITIONAL INFORMATION IS RECEIVED AND IN ANY CONTACTS
WITH AMERICAN GROUPS SEEKING SUGGESTIONS. KISSINGER

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